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United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

04-1323

ARTHROCARE CORPORATION,

Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant-Appellee,

and

ETHICON, INC.,

Counterclaim Defendant-Appellee,

v.

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC.,

Defendant/Counterclaimant-Appellant.

ON MOTION

Before NEWMAN, LOURIE, and CLEVINGER, Circuit Judges.

LOURIE, Circuit Judge.

ORDER

Smith & Nephew, Inc. moves for a stay, pending appeal, of the permanent injunction issued by the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. ArthroCare Corporation opposes. Smith & Nephew replies.

ArthroCare sued Smith & Nephew for infringement of three patents relating to electrosurgical devices and methods. The jury returned a verdict of infringement and

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The motion is denied.

FOR THE COURT

JUN - 3 2004

Date

cc: Ruffin B. Cordell, Esq.
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CLERK

FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

Defendant.

Civ. No. 01-504-SLR

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products listed on Exhibit A attached hereto; (b) inducing the infringement of claims 46, 47, and 48 of the '536 patent until the expiration of the '536 patent by inducing any person or entity to make, use, offer to sell, or sell in the United States, or import into the United States, the Saphyre, ElectroBlade, or Control RF products listed on Exhibit A ; and (c) contributing to the infringement of claims 46, 47, and 48 of the '536 patent until the expiration of the '536 patent by offering to sell or selling in the United States, or importing into the United States, the Saphyre, ElectroBlade, or Control RF products listed on Exhibit A.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, with respect to United States Patent No. 5,697,882 ("the '882 patent"):

1. Defendant Smith & Nephew, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with any of them, are enjoined from inducing the infringement of claims 13 and 17 of the '882 patent until the expiration of the '882 patent by inducing any person or entity to make, use, offer to sell, or sell in the United States, or import into the United States, the non-suction models of the Saphyre products listed on Exhibit A.

2. Defendant Smith & Nephew, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with any of them, are enjoined from

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3. Defendant Smith & Nephew, its officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with any of them, are enjoined from inducing the infringement of claims 17 and 54 of the '882 patent until the expiration of the '882 patent by inducing any person or entity to make, use, offer to sell, or sell in the United States, or import into the United States, the Control RF products listed on Exhibit A.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, with respect to United States Patent No. 6,224,592 ("the '592 patent"):

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2. Defendant Smith & Nephew, its officers, agents,

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AMENDED ORDER

At Wilmington this ~~24th~~ day of June, 2004, having conferred with counsel and having reviewed the papers submitted by the parties;¹

Upon entry, this Amended Order shall replace and supercede the Order entered by this Court on June 9, 2004 (D.I. 522):

IT IS ORDERED that, with respect to the U.S. Patent No. 5,697,536 ("the '536 patent"):

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¹Arthrocare's motion for entry of a permanent injunction (D.I. 485) is granted, and Smith & Nephew's motion to delay entry of injunction pending consideration of motion to stay injunction in Federal Circuit (D.I. 511) is denied as moot.

into the United States, the Saphyre,² ElectroBlade, or Control RF products listed on Exhibit A attached hereto; (b) inducing the infringement of claims 46, 47, and 56 of the '536 patent until the expiration of the '536 patent by inducing any person or entity to make, use, offer to sell, or sell in the United States, or import into the United States, the Saphyre, ElectroBlade, or Control RF products listed on Exhibit A ; and (c) contributing to the infringement of claims 46, 47, and 56 of the '536 patent until the expiration of the '536 patent by offering to sell or selling in the United States, or importing into the United States, the Saphyre, ElectroBlade, or Control RF products listed on Exhibit A.

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